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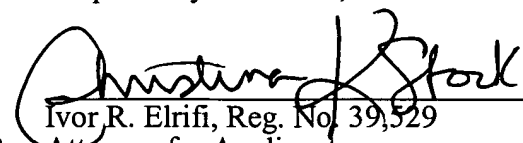
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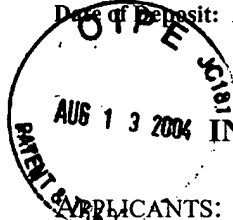
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO JULY 13, 2004 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Preliminary Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 13, 2004 in the above-identified patent application. With no extension, these documents are due on or before August 13, 2004. Thus, Applicants believe no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-552 CON-S8 (CURA 52 CON-S8).

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.